

The Edison Tunnels...



Catacombs: Facts and Fiction

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*Want to know what the Catacombs of Edison are like?
In this report, I'll tell you what I know is true and what are myths.*



Here's where I'll tell you all about the truth. When you first enter the Catacombs it's just like an old basement. Once you pass the caution tape draping down from the ceiling, you find a place where you have to duck.

Then you see someone who appears to be Tom (but we're not sure) banging a clipboard against the wall. Then the roof becomes so low that you have to crouch and either waddle or crawl (which I wouldn't advise unless you are okay with getting really dusty). There are white pipes jutting out of the already low ceiling, so be careful not to hit your head.

Next we have another weird dude, only this one is rocking back and forth in a rocking chair. Then you see Christmas lights flashing around a table with snacks, though we think these were arranged especially for us.

Finally you enter another basement-like room with a door, where you can exit the Catacombs and enter the speech room. That's all the facts.

Here's the part where we get to fantasize about all the scary things that are said to haunt or wander in the Catacombs, but haven't been proven. Here, I'll show you that I'm not too lazy to make a list:

Rumor 1: Andrew - Andrew was a kid who didn't believe in ghosts or goblins. It was said that he summoned a goblin, and it took his head. He is said to still be looking for it.

Rumor 2: Tim - Tom is said to have a evil twin (or identical cousin once removed, but that is extremely unlikely) and was very bad as a child, and was sent into the catacombs. He was never seen again.

Well, that's everything about the rumors. I hope I didn't give you nightmares!



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Tim's Timeout...

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46 years ago, there was a young student at Edison named Tim, who is our current principal's second cousin once removed on his mother's side. Anyways Tim was very mischevious and he would put a tack on his teacher's chair every day. He was only caught once, and that was when he was put in time out. Now, in those days naughty kids were sent to the catacombs for detention. Tim was sent there and forgotten until 10 years later when the janitor went to get something and saw a 20 year old man with a shackle on his leg. He said he was called Tim. To this very day Tim still lives in the catacombs, living off rats and mold. So young students, beware: don't go in the catacombs and never, ever, put a tack on your teacher's chair.